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SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN AND BUREAU

REF: STATE 22208

1. MISSION HAS TAKEN SOUNDINGS IN RESPECT TO THE US CANDIDATURE ON BUREAU. QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN RAISED BY OTHERS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL CREDENTIALS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF US CANDIDATE AND PUZZLEMENT HAS BEEN EXPRESSED AS TO WHY US IS NOT PROPOSING HEAD OF ITS DELEGATION AS IS CUSTOMARY. WE HAVE DONE OUR BEST TO DEAL WITH THESE QUESTIONS.

2. SITUATION HAS BECOME COMPLICATED BY REPORTS, FROM SEVERAL SOURCES, THAT MEMBERS OF THE NORDIC GROUP ARE PROPOSING NOW TO PUT UP LYKKE OF NORWAY FOR CHAIRMAN IN OPPOSITION TO FAIRCLOUGH (UK) AS A GESTURE AGAINST RECENT UK ACTION ON OCEAN DUMPING. APPARENTLY THEY INTEND TO MAINTAIN THIS GESTURE UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT BEFORE CONCEDING, TO MAKE THEIR POINT TO THE UK.

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RODERICK IS WORRIED THAT THIS GAME MAY SOMEHOW RESULT

IN LYKKE BECOMING CHAIRMAN AND REQUESTED US TO SUPPORT
FAIRCLOUGH ACTIVELY AGAINST OTHER GROUP.

3. MISSION BELIEVES IT MOST UNDESIRABLE TO PARTICI-
PATE IN THIS DISPUTE OR IN ANY WAY TO BE IDENTIFIED
WITH IT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN GLASOE'S NAME
AS CANDIDATE.
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